

Message Text

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 01 NICOSI 00078 111615Z
ACTION EUR-12

INFO OCT-01 IO-13 ISO-00 HA-05 CIAE-00 DODE-00 PM-05
H-01 INR-07 L-03 NSAE-00 NSC-05 PA-01 PRS-01
SP-02 SS-15 USIA-06 /077 W
-----118264 120045Z /66

R 111540Z JAN 78
FM AMEMBASSY NICOSIA
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 7044
INFO AMEMBASSY ANKARA
AMEMBASSY ATHENS
AMEMBASSY BONN
AMEMBASSY BRUSSELS
AMEMBASSY COPENHAGEN
AMCONSUL ISTANBUL
AMEMBASSY LONDON
AMEMBASSY PARIS
USNMR SHAPE BEL
USCINCEUR VAIHINGEN GER
USDOCOSOUTH NAPLES IT
USMISSION USNATO
USMISSION USUN NEW YORK
DIA WASHDC

C O N F I D E N T I A L NICOSIA 0078

BRUSSELS FOR USEEC
USCINCEUR FOR POLAD
USDOCOSOUTH FOR POLAD

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PGOV, SHUM, CY, TU, US
SUBJECT: GOC INSISTS MISSING PERSONS AGREEMENT DOES NOT
CONSTITUTE PROGRESS ON CYPRUS PROBLEM

REF: NICOSIA 0066 (DTG 101546Z JAN 78)

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 02 NICOSI 00078 111615Z

1. NEW PRO-GOVERNMENT DAILY ELEFThERI KYPROS OF JAN 11
REPEATS AND AMPLIFIES GOVERNMENT-INSPIRED STORY CARRIED IN
OTHER GREEK LANGUAGE PAPERS JAN 10 (REFTEL) THAT TURKISH
SIDE HAS AGREED TO CONDITIONS FOR FORMATION OF MISSING
PERSONS COMMITTEE. IN ADDITION TO REPORTING THAT
AGREEMENT INCLUDES PROVISION FOR EXHUMATION OF BODIES
AND MAJORITY DECISION-MAKING, ELEFThERI KYPROS SAYS

INVESTIGATION WILL EXTEND TO TURKEY ITSELF, EXCEPTING ONLY CERTAIN MILITARY ZONES. PAPER GOES ON TO CITE AUTHORITATIVE SOURCES TO EFFECT THAT GOC UNDERSTANDS US/GOT OBJECT IN SEEKING MISSING PERSONS AGREEMENT IS TO PROVIDE AMMUNITION TO LIFT EMBARGO. GOC CONTINUES TO MAINTAIN THAT AGREEMENT IS "PURELY HUMANITARIAN" AND IS NOT LINKED WITH BROADER POLITICAL QUESTION OF PROGRESS ON THE CYPRUS PROBLEM.

2. BEGIN CONFIDENTIAL. IN RELATED DEVELOPMENT, GREEK EMBASSY DCM ZACHARAKIS CALLED JAN 10 TO BE BRIEFED ON STATUS MISSING PERSONS COMMITTEE NOGOTIATIONS. (WE HAD OFFERED HIM SUCH A BRIEFING SOME TIME BEFORE.) AS THE CONVERSATION DEVELOPED IT BECAME APPARENT THAT ONE PURPOSE OF ZACHARAKIS VISIT WAS TO WARN U.S. NOT TO CHARACTERIZE ESTABLISHMENT OF MISSING PERSONS COMMITTEE AS PROGRESS TOWARDS SOLUTION OF CYPRUS PROBLEM. IF SUCH A LINKAGE IS MADE, ZACHARAKIS SAID, IT WILL BE DIFFICULT FOR GOC TO AGREE TO FORMATION OF COMMITTEE.

3. COMMENT: GOC - GENERATED PUBLICITY ON QUESTION OF MISSING PERSONS AGREEMENT IS DESIGNED TO MINIMIZE ANY IMPLICATION OF POSITIVE POLITICAL EFFECTS. WHILE APPEARING TO BE OPTIMISTIC, GOC EFFORTS ACTUALLY INCREASE DIFFICULTY OF REACHING FINAL AGREEMENT BY ATTRIBUTING PUBLICLY AND PREMATURELY TO TURKISH SIDE ACCEPTANCE OF CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 03 NICOSI 00078 111615Z

GREEK CYPRIOT CONDITIONS. IN DOING SO, GOC APPEARS DELIBERATELY TO BE RUNNING SOME RISK OF DERAILING MISSING PERSONS AGREEMENT IN ORDER TO FORECLOSE POSSIBILITY OF CLAIM THAT THERE IS PROGRESS ON POLITICAL ISSUES.
CRAWFORD

CONFIDENTIAL

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: X
Capture Date: 01 jan 1994
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: AGREEMENTS, MISSING PERSONS
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 11 jan 1978
Decaption Date: 01 jan 1960
Decaption Note:
Disposition Action: RELEASED
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Date: 20 Mar 2014
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1978NICOSI00078
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: n/a
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: GS
Errors: N/A
Expiration:
Film Number: D780017-0329
Format: TEL
From: NICOSIA
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1978/newtext/t19780176/aaaacmfx.tel
Line Count: 99
Litigation Code IDs:
Litigation Codes:
Litigation History:
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Message ID: b28eeae4-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc
Office: ACTION EUR
Original Classification: CONFIDENTIAL
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 2
Previous Channel Indicators: n/a
Previous Classification: CONFIDENTIAL
Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Reference: 78 NICOSIA 66
Retention: 0
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 28 apr 2005
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review Media Identifier:
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
SAS ID: 3793879
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: GOC INSISTS MISSING PERSONS AGREEMENT DOES NOT CONSTITUTE PROGRESS ON CYPRUS PROBLEM
TAGS: PGOV, SHUM, CY, TU, US
To: STATE
Type: TE
vdkgvwkey: odhc://SAS/SAS.dbo.SAS_Docs/b28eeae4-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc
Review Markings:
Sheryl P. Walter
Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
20 Mar 2014
Markings: Sheryl P. Walter Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 20 Mar 2014